HOUSE BILL 2591

By Gilmore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 6 and Title 41, Chapter 21, Part 2, relative to protective order notification for victims of crimes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-605, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (b) and by redesignating the existing language accordingly:

(b) Each petitioner for an ex parte order of protection pursuant to this part may request notification of service of such ex parte order of protection on the respondent by the clerk of the court in which such petition is filed. Upon such request, the clerk shall provide notification of service of such ex parte order of protection on the respondent to the petitioner by telephone or electronic communication. To effectuate the purpose of this subsection, the local law enforcement agency or any other government agency responsible for serving ex parte orders of protection shall promptly notify the court clerk of such service. No court clerk shall be held liable for actions taken in good faith compliance with this subsection.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.